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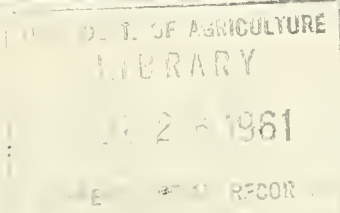
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WORLD MEAT PRODUCTION ROSE

SLIGHTLY DURING 1960

Meat production in 41 leading countries which produce about 85 percent of world meat supply totaled 99 billion pounds in 1960--1 percent more than a year earlier and 23 percent above the 1951-55 average. Output in the 41 countries established a new high record reflecting the general rise in world livestock numbers.

The increase in meat production during 1960 was not large enough to keep pace with growth of the human population. However, the rise in production since 1951 has more than matched population growth and per capita meat consumption has increased in most countries. Despite the record output, price of meats, particularly beef, continued relatively high.

A further rise in meat output in the 41 countries is expected during 1961 with prospective increases in beef, pork, and lamb and mutton.

Total meat production during 1960 in all of the 12 leading countries except Argentina was above average. The increases ranged from 4 percent in Brazil to 53 percent in the U.S.S.R. Output in Argentina was 5 percent below average. Compared with a year earlier 1960 production rose in the United States, France, Italy, Poland, and Denmark. Production changed little in Argentina, but declined in the U.S.S.R., West Germany, Brazil, Australia and Canada. The 12 leading producers accounted for 78 percent of the total output in the 41 countries under review. The United States produced about 28 percent of the total.

This Circular contains more detailed information than the summary of similar title published in the monthly supplement issue of Foreign Crops and Markets, June 29, 1961.

MEAT 1/: Production in 41 countries, average 1951-55, annual 1959 and 1960

Continent and country	Beef and veal						Pork 2/					
	Average 1951-55	1959	1960 3/	Change		Average 1951-55	1959	1960 3/	Change		1951-55	1959
				1960	1960 3/				1960	1960 3/		
				1951-55	1959				1951-55	1959		
	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Percent	Percent	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Percent	Percent		
North America:												
Canada.....	1,085	1,261	1,387	+28	+10	879	1,266	1,033	+18	-18		
Mexico.....	781	884	875	+12	-1	311	409	405	+30	-1		
United States.....	12,885	14,588	15,833	+23	+9	10,775	11,993	11,630	+8	-3		
Cuba.....	379	441	---	---	---	83	85	---	---	---		
South America:												
Argentina.....	4,142	3,902	3,854	-7	-1	326	320	395	+21	+23		
Brazil.....	2,477	2,780	2,425	-2	-13	872	1,151	1,093	+25	-5		
Chile.....	228	323	328	+44	+2	55	55	58	+5	+5		
Colombia.....	606	658	649	+7	-1	104	113	119	+14	+5		
Paraguay.....	187	228	199	+6	-13	---	---	---	---	---		
Uruguay.....	650	571	709	+9	+24	43	49	49	+14	---		
Europe:												
Western:												
Austria 4/.....	243	281	290	+19	+3	390	458	476	+22	+4		
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	375	453	454	+21	---	458	486	522	+14	+7		
Denmark.....	273	325	349	+28	+7	958	1,303	1,388	+45	+7		
Finland.....	114	150	153	+34	+2	125	134	113	-10	-16		
France.....	2,615	2,756	2,994	+14	+9	1,771	2,251	2,049	+16	-9		
Germany, West.....	1,617	2,182	2,138	+32	-2	2,951	3,688	3,698	+25	---		
Greece.....	31	57	61	+97	+7	44	55	56	+27	+2		
Ireland.....	185	202	231	+25	+14	175	191	209	+19	+9		
Italy.....	790	1,186	1,168	+48	-2	764	1,083	1,179	+54	+9		
Netherlands.....	411	483	535	+30	+11	634	785	958	+51	+22		
Norway.....	103	109	109	+6	---	91	114	125	+37	+10		
Portugal.....	76	94	94	+24	---	207	194	194	-6	---		
Spain 5/.....	272	333	366	+35	+10	390	516	606	+55	+17		
Sweden.....	292	313	290	-1	-7	342	500	459	+34	-8		
Switzerland.....	206	217	221	+7	+2	210	238	291	+39	+22		
United Kingdom.....	1,481	1,609	1,829	+23	+14	1,294	1,552	1,449	+12	-7		
Eastern:												
Bulgaria.....	129	117	---	---	---	170	237	---	---	---		
Czechoslovakia.....	361	389	---	---	---	476	679	---	---	---		
Germany, East.....	290	371	---	---	---	918	989	---	---	---		
Hungary.....	168	269	291	+73	+8	544	593	605	+11	+2		
Poland.....	449	683	---	---	---	1,315	1,781	1,889	+44	+6		
Yugoslavia.....	204	346	---	---	---	365	529	---	---	---		
U.S.S.R. (Europe and Asia)....	3,975	5,300	5,261	+32	-1	3,650	6,300	6,253	+71	-1		
Africa:												
Egypt.....	345	328	330	-4	+1	3	4	4	+33	---		
Republic of South Africa....	678	747	762	+12	+2	136	133	113	-17	-15		
Asia:												
Japan.....	217	315	315	+45	---	165	403	360	+118	-11		
Philippines.....	75	95	116	+55	+22	218	343	329	+51	-4		
Turkey.....	145	190	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---		
Oceania:												
Australia.....	1,531	1,878	1,509	-1	-20	6/199	6/223	6/236	+19	+6		
New Zealand.....	444	525	524	+18	---	89	98	88	-1	-10		
Total 41 countries.....	41,515	47,939	47,260	+19	+3	32,500	41,301	40,997	+26	-1		

1/ For calendar years--carcass weight basis: Beef and veal, pork, mutton, lamb, and goat meat; horsemeat is included in the total meat figure for Japan, Philippines, and Western and Eastern Europe. Excludes variety, rabbit, and poultry meat. 2/ Figures for Canada, United States, and Eastern Europe, which excludes lard and rendered pork fat, are not comparable to those for some other countries which exclude only commercial lard. 3/ Preliminary.

MEAT 1/: Production in 41 countries, average 1951-55, annual 1959 and 1960 (continued)

Continent and country	Mutton, lamb, and goatmeat					Total meat production				
	Average 1951-55	1959	1960 3/	Change		Average 1951-55	1959	1960 3/	Change	
				1960	1960 3/				1960	1960 3/
				1951-55	1959				1951-55	1959
	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Percent	Percent	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Percent	Percent
North America:										
Canada.....	30	33	36	+20	+9	1,994	2,560	2,456	+23	-4
Mexico.....	120	118	121	+1	+3	1,212	1,411	1,401	+16	-1
United States.....	678	738	768	+13	+4	24,338	27,319	28,231	+15	+4
Cuba.....	2	3	—	—	—	464	529	—	—	—
South America:										
Argentina.....	416	410	384	-8	-6	4,884	4,632	4,633	-5	—
Brazil.....	81	83	77	-5	-7	3,430	4,014	3,595	+4	-10
Chile.....	58	61	62	+7	+1	341	439	448	+31	+2
Colombia.....	4	3	3	-1	—	714	774	771	+8	—
Paraguay.....	—	—	—	—	—	187	228	199	+6	-13
Uruguay.....	133	103	108	-19	+4	826	723	866	+5	+20
Europe:										
Western:										
Austria 4/.....	4	3	3	-25	—	648	755	783	+21	+4
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	6	5	5	-17	—	890	991	1,023	+15	+3
Denmark.....	2	2	3	+50	+50	1,247	1,643	1,754	+41	+7
Finland.....	12	6	5	-58	-17	261	297	280	+7	-6
France.....	240	254	276	+15	+9	4,811	5,473	5,548	+15	+1
Germany, West.....	44	35	35	-20	—	4,681	5,954	5,920	+26	-1
Greece.....	113	173	176	+56	+2	188	285	293	+56	+3
Ireland.....	45	74	84	+87	+14	405	467	524	+29	+12
Italy.....	108	96	98	-9	-2	1,725	2,443	2,534	+47	+4
Netherlands.....	14	22	21	+50	-5	1,086	1,324	1,550	+43	+17
Norway.....	36	30	30	-17	—	235	255	266	+13	+4
Portugal.....	41	45	45	+10	—	326	338	338	+4	—
Spain 5/.....	192	215	223	+16	+4	872	1,101	1,231	+41	+12
Sweden.....	4	3	3	-25	—	665	836	770	+16	-8
Switzerland.....	7	7	7	—	—	431	471	530	+23	+13
United Kingdom.....	376	552	501	+33	-9	3,151	3,713	3,779	+20	+2
Eastern:										
Bulgaria.....	97	114	—	—	—	396	468	—	—	—
Czechoslovakia.....	19	23	—	—	—	868	1,097	—	—	—
Germany, East.....	—	—	—	—	—	1,210	1,361	—	—	—
Hungary.....	15	18	—	—	—	737	926	979	+7	+6
Poland.....	31	61	—	—	—	1,839	2,541	—	—	—
Yugoslavia.....	104	110	—	—	—	690	998	—	—	—
U.S.S.R. (Europe and Asia)....	1,210	2,050	2,035	+68	-1	8,835	13,650	13,549	+53	-1
Africa:										
Egypt.....	76	69	70	-8	+1	424	401	404	-5	+1
Republic of South Africa....	201	232	235	+17	+1	1,015	1,112	1,110	+9	—
Asia:										
Japan.....	7	16	15	+8	-1	433	787	743	+72	-6
Philippines.....	4	4	4	—	—	299	445	452	+51	+2
Turkey.....	186	223	—	—	—	331	413	—	—	—
Oceania:										
Australia.....	792	1,174	1,250	+58	+6	2,522	3,275	2,995	+19	-9
New Zealand.....	760	944	1,038	+37	+10	1,293	1,567	1,650	+28	+5
Total 41 countries.....	6,268	8,112	7/8,275	+32	+2	80,904	98,016	7/99,241	+23	+1

4/ Includes variety meats. 5/ Spanish official figures stated to include total slaughter but believed not to be complete, particularly in pork, mutton, lamb, and goatmeat. 6/ Includes an allowance for trimming from bacon carcasses.
7/ Includes estimates for non-reporting countries.

The 12 leading countries ranked in order of importance during 1960 are the United States, U.S.S.R., West Germany, France, Argentina, the United Kingdom, Brazil, Australia, Italy, Canada, Poland and Denmark.

Estimates for Communist China are not included in this summary although China is probably the second largest world producer. A large part of China's production is pork. Production in China reached high levels in 1959 and 1960 but is declining sharply this year.

Relatively large increases in production were recorded in 1960 in Uruguay, the Netherlands and Ireland. Substantial decreases occurred in Paraguay, Brazil and Australia.

In this report production includes the carcass weight of beef, veal, pork, lamb, mutton and goat meat in all countries and horse meat and buffalo are included in countries where important. Pork production excludes the raw weight of fats rendered for lard. Total slaughter is estimated for each country including slaughter of both imported and indigenous animals.

Output of beef and veal in 1960 was 3 percent greater than a year earlier, and 19 percent above average. Production in the 8 of the 10 largest producers was above average. However, production in Argentina and Australia was below average. Production compared with 1959 was larger in the United States, France and United Kingdom but dropped off in the U.S.S.R., France, Argentina, Brazil, West Germany, and Australia. Production in most of the 10 leading producers is expected to rise in 1961.

Pork production in the 41 countries totaled 41 billion pounds in 1960--1 percent less than a year earlier but 26 percent above the 1951-55 average. Output in each of the 10 leading countries was above average ranging from 12 percent in the United Kingdom to 71 percent in the U.S.S.R. Production in 1960 was below 1959 in the United States, U.S.S.R., France, the United Kingdom, Canada and Brazil but rose above 1959 in Poland, Denmark, and Italy.

Pork output in 1961 is expected to increase in nearly all of the 10 leading countries which produce about 80 percent of the total for the 1941 countries.

Production of lamb, mutton, and goat meat in the 41 countries amounted to 8.3 billion pounds in 1960--2 percent more than in 1959, and 32 percent above the 1951-55 average. Argentina was the only one of the 10 leading producers where 1960 output was below the average. Output in the U.S.S.R., Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and Greece was at least 33 percent above the average. Production in the United States, France, Republic of South Africa, and Spain ranged from 13 to 17 percent above average. The U.S.S.R., United Kingdom and Argentina were the only ones of the big 10 where production declined from 1959 to 1960.

Lamb and mutton production will probably increase again in 1961. Increased production is expected in the U.S.S.R., Australia, United States, United Kingdom, and Argentina.

Rank of countries of the world in production of meats, 1960
(Excluding Communist China)

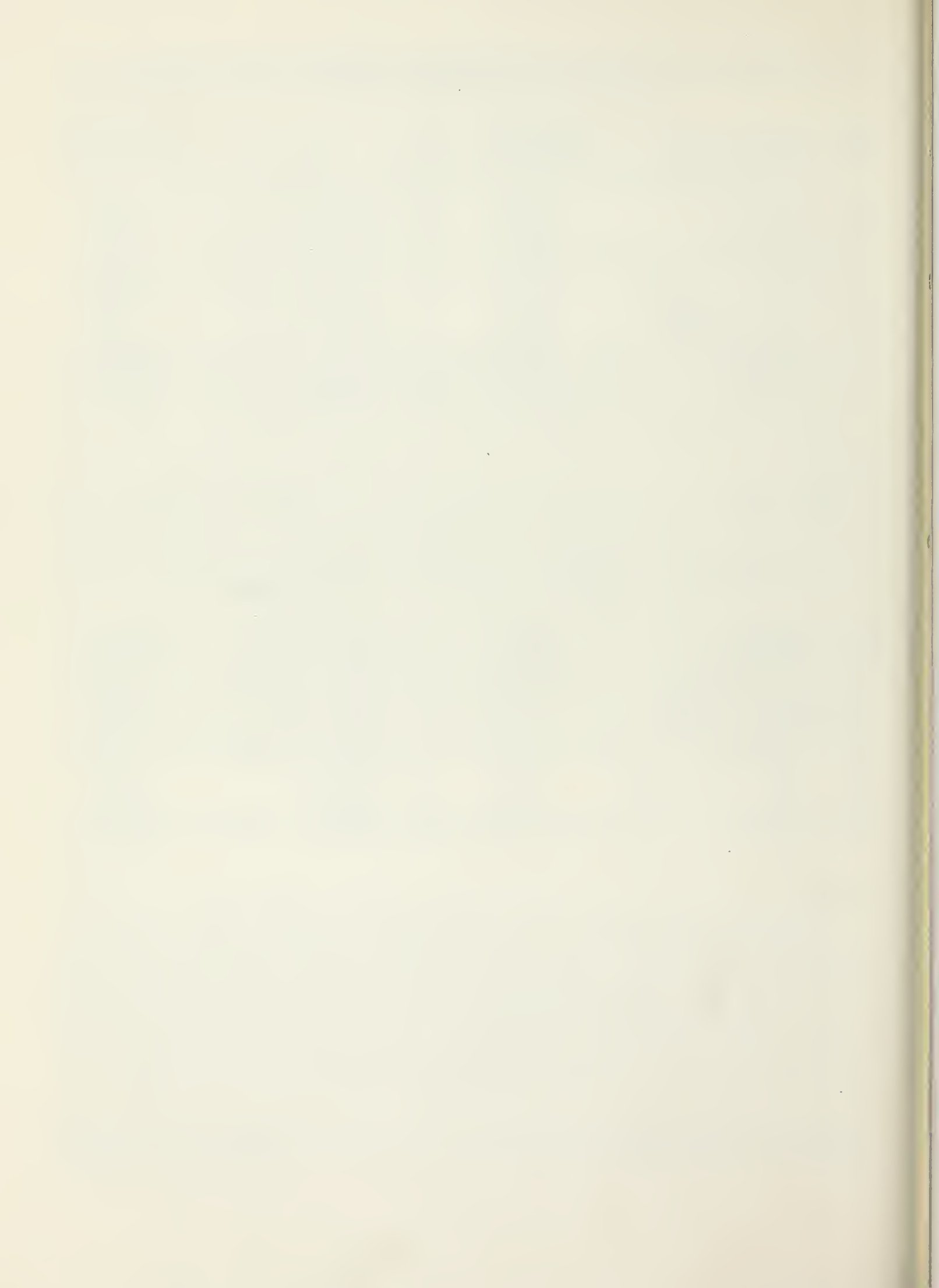
<u>Rank</u>	<u>Beef and Veal</u>	<u>Production Mil.lbs.</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Pork</u>	<u>Production Mil.lbs.</u>
1	United States	15,833	1	United States	11,630
2	U.S.S.R.	5,261	2	U.S.S.R.	6,253
3	Argentina	3,854	3	Rep. of Germany	3,698
4	France	2,994	4	France	2,049
5	Brazil	2,425	5	Poland	1,889
6	Rep. of Germany	2,138	6	United Kingdom	1,449
7	United Kingdom	1,829	7	Denmark	1,388
8	Australia	1,509	8	Italy	1,179
9	Canada	1,387	9	Brazil	1,093
10	Italy	1,168	10	Canada	1,033

Lamb, mutton, goatmeat

1	U.S.S.R.	2,035
2	Australia	1,250
3	New Zealand	1,038
4	United States	768
5	United Kingdom	501
6	Argentina	384
7	France	276
8	Rep. of So. Africa	235
9	Spain	223
10	Greece	176

Total meat

1	United States	28,231
2	U.S.S.R.	13,549
3	Rep. of Germany	5,920
4	France	5,548
5	Argentina	4,633
6	United Kingdom	3,779
7	Brazil	3,595
8	Australia	2,995
9	Italy	2,534
10	Canada	2,456





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